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In re application of: VAMSP002

Attorney Docket No.: VAMSP002

Application No.: 09/591,089

Examiner: B. Szmal

Filed: June 9, 2000

Group: 3736

Title: BRACHYTHERAPY APPARATUS AND METHODS

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
(37 CFR §1.114)

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) of the above-identified application.

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1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114:

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
 - i. ☐ Consider the amendment/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on _____.
(Any unentered amendment referred to above will be entered.)
 - ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____.
 - iii. ☐ Other _____.
- b. ☒ Enclosed
 - i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
 - ii. ☐ Affidavit/Declaration
 - iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO-1449
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 - iv. ☐ Other _____.

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01 FC:1801	750.00 OP
02 FC:1202	576.00 OP
03 FC:1201	168.00 OP

2. **Fees:** (The RCE fee is required at the time the RCE is filed.)

Fee Calculation (37 CFR §1.16)

	(Col. 1) Total Claims		(Col. 2) Claims	(Col. 3) Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
TOTAL	52	MINUS	20	= 32	x 18 =	576.00
INDEP.	5	MINUS	3	= 2	x 84 =	168.00
[] First presentation of multiple dependent claim					\$280 =	
Fee for Request for Continued Examination Under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e)					\$750 =	750.00
TOTAL						1,578.00
SMALL ENTITY 50% FILING FEE REDUCTION (if applicable)						NA

- ☒ a. Applicant hereby petitions for a one month extension of time.
- ☒ b. Applicant believes that no (additional) extension of time is required; however, if it is determined that such an extension is required, Applicant hereby petitions that such an extension be granted and authorizes the Director to charge the required fees for an extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136 to Deposit Account No. 500388 (Order No. VAMSP002).
- ☒ c. Enclosed is our Check No. 7498 in the amount of \$1,604 to cover the RCE fee, extension of time and additional fees.
- ☒ d. The Director is authorized to charge any fees beyond the amount enclosed which may be required, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 500388 (Order No. VAMSP002)

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